Turf Maintenance Guide

The contractor is responsible for restoring grass after construction. However, the City of Woodbury encourages homeowners to assist in turf establishment. The contractor will seed the disturbed areas with a seed and hydromulch mix and is responsible for watering seed for 30 days after placement.



During first 10-14 days, water lightly 2-3 times per day as needed to keep the soil moist. A watering permit will be required if homeowners choose to water daily. Permits are available at Woodbury City Hall or online at woodburymn.gov/waterpermits and allow for 14 continuous days of watering. Lawn watering is not permitted between noon and 5 pm on any days.

Apply 1/3" of water every other day after 14 days. Watering is necessary until seeded areas reach a uniform height of 4".

Germination is typically within 7-14 days after seeding but may vary depending on weather and soil. Initial inspection of restoration will occur about 3 weeks after seeding.



Within 45 days, seed should show definite growth.

The best method to prevent weeds is to grow healthy turf grass. Homeowners are encouraged to work along with contractor to remove weeds while grass is being established. Spraying weeds is not recommended for the first 2 years of new turf. Control weeds by hand pulling.

No fertilizer is necessary for the first year after seeding. After the first winter, homeowners may fertilize the new grass on the same schedule as their lawn.



Once turf has been accepted, it becomes the responsibility of the homeowner. Turf will be accepted after 70% of grass is established. It may take up to a year for turf to fully establish.

Do not mow until the grass is a uniform 5-6" in height, or before the grass has 50% coverage. Only cut of the grass height in a single mow; so if grass is 6", cut to a length of 4". Also, the temperature should be below 85° F when mowing the new grass.

